

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 Water-based adhesive compositions are described that includes epoxy capsules and a polymeric amine that is water soluble or water dispersible. The epoxy capsules include an outer shell material and an epoxy resin encapsulated by the outer shell material. The polymeric amine functions as an epoxy curative and as a binder resin. The compositions are substantially free of other additional organic binders. The compositions are suitable for use as mechanical fastener adhesives.